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U.S. DISTRICT COURT
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
ASHEVILLE DIVISION

CIVIL NO. 1:07cv258

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

\$18,000.00 IN UNITED STATES
CURRENCY

Defendant.

CONSENT ORDER FOR STAY

The parties, Plaintiff United States and Claimant Ronnie Eugene Davis, with counsel, have agreed that there is reason to enter a stay of this civil forfeiture case pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §981(g), pending resolution of a related criminal investigation.

The Court FINDS that a stay is warranted at this time in order to protect the integrity of the United States' investigation and the Fifth Amendment rights of Claimant Ronnie Eugene Davis.

It is therefore ORDERED that this case is stayed until further order of the Court.

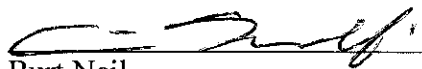
It is further ORDERED this stay shall be without prejudice to either party's right to file any other pleading or responsive motion within the time permitted by the Rules of Civil Procedure, with the applicable time period to begin running from the date the stay is lifted.

This order does not apply to the requirement of this court as set forth in the order of October 23, 2007 which requires the claimant to file an amended answer to the complaint on or before November 13, 2007.

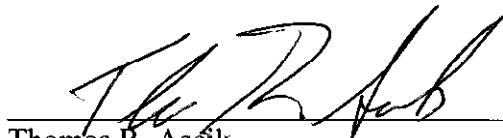
This the 5 day of November, 2007.


DENNIS L. HOWELL
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

So agreed:


Burt Neil
Counsel to Claimant Ronnie Eugene Davis

11-5-07
Date


Thomas R. Ascik
Assistant United States Attorney

11/5/07
Date